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File Code: 3410

Date: June 27, 2000

Mr. Paul Tavel Smithsonian Environmental Research Center P.O. Box 28 Edgewater, MD 21037

Dear Mr. Tavel:

On June 20, 2000, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your site.

However, if you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2001, please contact Brad Onken or Rod by letter or telephone (304) 285-1541 before August 25, 2000.

Please contact Rod at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. HAZEL
Field Representative
Morgantown Field Office

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